

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Forest Department – Disciplinary action against Sri V.P. Jayaram, Forest Range Officer (Retired) formerly in-charge Nagaluty Range, Wildlife Management Division, Atmakur - Departmental Proceedings under rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Inquiry finalized and findings received - Imposition of penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of one year - Show-Cause-Notice issued – Explanation received – Final orders - Issued.

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ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 19

Dated:18-02-2015  
Read the following:

1. From Prl.CCF.Rc.No.41704/2006/K5, dt:15-12-2009.
2. Govt.Memo.No. 8944/For.IV/A1/2009-1, Dated:05-02-2010
3. From Prl.CCF.Rc.No.41704/2006/K2, dt:1-05-2013.
4. Govt.Lr.No.8944/For.IV/A1/2009, Dt.03-03-2014.
5. From the Secy.(FAC) APPSC Lr.No.718/RT/2/2014, Dt:16.06.2014.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has informed that disciplinary action has been initiated against Sri V.P. Jayaram, Forest Range Officer (Retired) formerly in-charge Nagaluty Range, Wildlife Management Division, Atmakur under rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 and an Article of Charge was issued vide PCCF Rc.No.41704/2006/PXA-3, dt:10-2-2007 on the following counts:

**Article-I:-**

“That Sri V.P. Jayaram, Forest Range Officer, Nagaluty Range has Grossly neglected his legitimate duties resulting in large scale illicit felling of bamboos in Nagarjunasagar Srisailam Wildlife Sanctuary area of Nagaluty Range resulting in loss to the Government to a tune of Rs.4,32,400/- and thus he has violated the fulfillment of duties of Forest Range Officer as per Forest Code Volume-I – Section -155.

Thus he failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion and exhibited gross neglect of his legitimate duties and conduct unbecoming of an Government employee in violation of Rule 3 of A.P. Civil Services(Conduct) Rules, 1964. Hence the charge.

2. The Charged Officer has acknowledged the receipt of Article of Charge on 11-3-07 and non submission of explanation to the Article of Charge within the stipulated time, the Filed Director, Project Tiger, Srisailam and the Divisional Forest Officer, Wildlife Management, Atmakur were appointed as Inquiry Officer and presenting Officer respectively vide PCCF Rc.No41704/2006/PXA-3, dt:11-4-2007. The Inquiry Officer has completed the inquiry and submitted his findings vide CF, FDPT Ref.No.4691/2006/PT1, dt:25-6-2008, duly concluding that the Charge leveled against the Charged Officer is held proved. The Inquiry Officer’s report was communicated to the Charged Officer on 2-2-2009 and the Charged Officer has not submitted his further defense statement.

3. The Charged Officer retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 30-6-2008. Hence, the disciplinary proceedings are continued under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

4. After careful examination of the matter, with reference to the enquiry officer’s report and the remarks of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, and material made available, Government observe that the charge framed against the Charged Officer is held proved. Hence, it is provisionally decided to impose penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of one year on the charged officer Sri V.P. Jayaram, Forest Range Officer (Retired) formerly in-charge Nagaluty Range, Wildlife Management Division, Atmakur, under rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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5. Accordingly, a Show-Cause-Notice was issued to the retired officer vide reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above. The Charged Officer submitted his further explanation through the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above and in which he has requested the Government to close the Article of Charge. The concurrence of Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has been obtained vide reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above.

6. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby order to impose the penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of one year on the charged officer Sri V.P. Jayaram, Forest Range Officer (Retired) formerly in-charge Nagaluty Range, Wildlife Management Division, Atmakur, under rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is requested to take action accordingly.

8. The file bearing No.4691/06/PT.1, of Field Director, Project Tiger, Srisailam, containing (412) pages received through the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above is returned herewith. The receipt of the same may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJEYA KALLAM  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.  
The Individual (through Principal Chief Conservator of Forests).

Copy to:  
The Accountant General (A&E) A.P., Hyderabad.  
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Hyderabad, A.P.  
The Secretary(FAC), A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad(with ref. to  
Lr.No.718/RT/2/2014, Dt:16.06.2014)  
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SECTION OFFICER